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'Town must play part in solving housing crisis'

From front page

Mr Fox called for a special pubtwo weeks after the council sub-building can take place." ernment in hope of approval.

get to a befter economic situa- to be built. and dad.

demanding their own homes north of Popley Fields, and 420 in line with increased general for Razors Farm. prosperity."

Basingstoke council's cabinet yet been earmarked. member for planning Mark Ruffell said: "What he has effectively "Where' is the big question." said is that there are dangers on the road ahead that, if you avoid, contain places for people to live your plan will be found sound."

He added the meeting was "helpful and constructive". Basingstoke MP Maria Miller

inspector has suggested that a the council to meet the inspechigher housing figure is needed, tor's challenges." I still consider 748 homes per The council will now have to year to be at the top end of what respond to the planning inspec-is sustainable for Basingstoke, tor in the New Year with a new bearing in mind that the River strategy of how they are going ble to the council stating time- from two months ago when unlawful levels and our roads instead of 748.

are seriously congested.

"We need to know that there lic meeting of town leaders and will be the investment to improve residents in October less than infrastructure before new house

mitted its local plan to the gov- In the local plan 6,940 homes are to be built on the largest He said: "Is it not unreason- greenfield developments in and able to expect that once we around the town - of the 13,464

tion that in fact there won't be Of these, 3,400 are to be built 30-somethings living with mum on a 2,000-acre development at Manydown, 1,000 for Basing-"They will hopefully be stoke Golf Course, 450 for land

Land for the remainder has not

Councillor Paul Harvey said: He added: "It is important you

"We don't want to be cram-

"Will the inspection go fortold the Observer: "While the ward? It will be a real test for



Mr Fox will deliver a timeta- · The Observer's front page Loddon is already polluted to to deliver 850 houses per year frames for the work that needs to Mr Fox called for the special be done to improve the plan.

meeting to address concerns

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Service awards

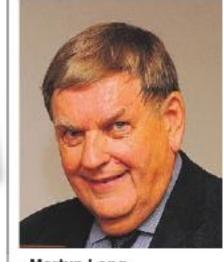
HAMPSHIRE: Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service's longest serving officer was awarded for the half of a century he has put into helping the county last week.

Martyn Long, 67, has worked for the service for 50 years.

During the fire service's annual awards at their headquarters in Leigh Road, Eastleigh, on December 10, Mr Long and other officers were commended for their

Mr Long was in charge of Basingstoke fire station for two years and is currently a contingency planning officer for the service in Southamp-

Prizes were also handed out to members of the community and partner organisations.



Martyn Long

Popley plan

POPLEY: A Christmas party in Popley celebrated the launch of its new community-led plan on Monday.

The Christmas extravaganza was organised by local community planning groups, associations and churches with help from the borough council.

It started at 6pm at Popley Fields Community Centre with Christmas carols, a Santa's grotto and raffle.

The community led plan aims to improve the quality of life for people in Popley.

It aims to brainstorm ways community organisations can work together and implement projects such as a bike loan scheme in the area.

CCTV released after string of car thefts

SAT navs, cash, sunglasses it more tempting for them to try Chineham and Lychpit within any suspicious activity." the last month.

November 22 and December and quote 44140419173. 12 sparked a police warning because most were from cars that were not properly locked.

Hampshire Constabulary yesterday released three photos of a man they want to trace in connection to the November 22 thefts in Woodend, Chineham.

And a 14-year-old from Basingstoke has been arrested and bailed.

Police Constable David Mills said: "Unsecure vehicles are at greater risk of being broken into. Thieves will walk along the streets trying door handles so always make sure you leave it locked."

He added: "Don't leave items of any value on display, making

and a torch are among the to get into your vehicle. Please be items swiped from 15 cars in vigilant in your area and report

the last month. Anyone with any information The spate of break-ins between is asked to call PC Mills on 101











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Youth service cuts branded a 'disgrace'

TOWN leaders blasted controversial plans to slash youth service funding by over 80 per cent last week.

to discuss Hampshire County absolute disgrace. Council's plans make cuts of £182,162 to Basingstoke's youth realistic." services.

ens raised the motion to condemn cil needs to save money and is ever the cuts would mean there where, we have to draw the line. Council that the borough council Hampshire County Council for choosing to cut youth services would be just one "pod" for the What sort of society and com-condemns the cuts. the cuts and it was passed with throughout Hampshire to help young to access, open only for 12 munity do you want to live in in The message will be passed 29 councillors voting for it and even out its budget. 26 voting against.

visit to the town on Friday.

Basingstoke's hospital during a after treatment.

Aldermaston Road and neigh- progress.

By Mathew Di Salvo

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effect in April 2015, would see Brighton Hill said: "The youth Onnalee Cubitt said: "Yes, it is services in Basingstoke hit hard of today are the voters of tomor-shocking and not great but these

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hours a week.

with funding for Basingstoke cut row. The county never listen and are county council issues and I don't care."

Council on December 11 met cent cut to youth servicing is an 19-year-olds support with sexual Conservative, Labour and Lib discussed by the county." health, drug and alcohol misuse. Dem leaders up and down the The motion which was passed "I don't believe it is fair and education, training and employ- country saying that these cuts means Councillor Cathy Osselment and homelessness - could are totally damaging lives, they ton, the cabinet member for

Basingstoke?"

The proposals, which could take Councillor Mark Taylor of But independent councillor rethink the figures.

think it is inappropriate to spend

rervices. Previously the Observer be shut down. are just beyond belief." partnerships, is tasked with Labour councillor Jack Cous- reported that the county coun- There are currently 10, how- He added: "Sometimes, some- informing Hampshire County"

on in the hope that they might

"It was also great to be able to

unit that offers extra support to

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Gold burgled

BASINGSTOKE: Two houses in Basingstoke have been burgled for their expensive gold Asian jewellery.

The first burglary took place in Gilbert Road on Saturday. December 6, between 5pm and 8.45pm.

On Tuesday, December 9 between 1.30pm and 8.10pm, another house in Paterson Close was burgled.

During both burglaries the homeowners were out of the properties.

Anyone with any information is asked to call Hampshire Constabulary on 101.

Flood defences

BASINGSTOKE: A builder's merchant shop has started supplying flood defence prod-ucts.

Keyline, in Rankine Road, is selling flood barriers, which can be fitted in front of doors or windows to stop water entering a house; air bricks, which have ventilation holes which automatically shut off when water is rising; and nonreturn valves - installed within the nearest manhole or onto sewer pipes to stop sewage flowing into the property.

The Basingstoke store was one of the only companies chosen to supply the prod-ucts because of the Buckskin floods in February.

Committee meet

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: A Licensing Sub-Committee is set to meet tomorrow.

The public are invited to attend the meeting at the borough council's civic offices in London Road from 1.30pm.

from £226,082 to £43,920. Councillors at a full meeting of Basingstoke and Deane Borough He said: "I believe an 81 per A number of Youth hubs in believe an 81 per He said: "I believe an 81 per

Health Secretary impressed by 'Stoke SECRETARY of State for Firs – which helps elderly meet some of the staff at Bas- In October, the hospital's new emergency department.

Basingstoke's hospital during a after treatment. Hospital today. unit treated its first patient. introduce Mr Hunt to staff and visit to the town on Friday. Mr Hunt spoke with nurses, "I saw good leadership, excelMr Hunt toured the emergency doctors and hospital executives lent patient care and strong links its private unit – the Candover facility, which is a rehabilitation department at Basingstoke and about future plans the hospital with local GP surgeries. North Hampshire Hospital in has, its challenges and recent

is doing is testament to the dedi- Mary Edwards, said: "I'm really who are not yet quite ready to bouring treatment centre The Mr Hunt said: "It was great to cation of its staff."

Health, Jeremy Hunt, praised patients get ready to go home ingstoke and North Hampshire £6.5million cancer treatment

Clinic. "The great work that the Trust The hospital's chief executive, older people who are well, but

> pleased the Health Secretary go home - another hot topic in was able to spend time healthcare at the moment." with us today."

GPs working alongside Carl Brookes and operations our clinicians in the director Julie Maskery

She added: "We talked · (Left to right) Maria Miller about our partnership MP, Jeremy Hunt MP, Chief with North Hampshire Executive Mary Edwards, Clinical Commission- Trust Chairman Liz Padmore, ing Group, which sees director of medical services





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Gypsy plans rejected after 500 trees axed

PLANNING officers have rejected controversial plans for a gypsy site in Sherfield-on-Loddon where 500 trees were illegally felled.

Travellers applied for per- it has been refused but I think it mission to set up three touring will be appealed. caravans, three mobile homes, and three wooden buildings with what grounds it goes to appeal tant part of the landscape. kitchens and bathrooms in Dixon on."

sion made in a report by Bas- Planning Studio on behalf of ingstoke and Deane Borough traveller and land owner, Boy-Council officers, published on sie Biddle, of Leicestershire. December 4.

Paul Miller, said: "I am delighted the alarm that over 500 trees

By Mathew Di Salvo mathew@taylornewspapers.co.uk

Councillors welcomed the deci- submitted in August by Green trees which make an important tions are very justified.

It came two months after resi-Chineham ward councillor, dents and councillors raised injunction the same month to Basingstoke.

"It will be interesting to see because the trees are an impor- pressure."

halt the felling of more trees.

contribution towards the char-

were illegally axed on the site. acter and appearance of this goes ahead for dwellings on that Basingstoke and Deane Bor-landscape on the edge of the site would not be right. ough Council was granted a court settlement policy boundary of "The traffic on the A33 is bad

"Furthermore, the proposal it worse. The council report said per- would expose any remaining "The area is also a buffer zone mission was partially rejected protected trees to unacceptable between the two settlements so

Councillor Elaine Still, who work." It said: "The proposal would lives in Sherfield-on-Loddon, Maria Miller MP made an A planning application was result in the loss of protected said: "The whole list of objecappeal in parliament to demand

"Whatever application that who illegally chop down trees.

and development would make

a development there would not

for harsher sanctions on those

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In it to win it?

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: St Michael's Hospice has announced the winners of its latest lottery draw which was drawn on Friday, December

First prize of £1,000 goes to ticket 67599 of Alton.

While ticket 07809 of Chineham claims second prize of

Third prize of £50 goes to Overton ticket 08888

And Alton ticket 37670 gets fourth prize of £20.

The remaining sixteen cash prizes of £5 go out to tickets 06397, 09882, 11957, 15525, 16682, 20030, 24111, 24759, 29750, 37756, 43578, 53760, 56773, 59662, 74261 and 84091.

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Charity funds

HAMPSHIRE: Naomi House and Jacksplace hospice was awarded over £200,000 to split with another hospice from a dinner party fundraiser.

The Great Wessex Dinners event in October raised £228,000 when people hosted charity dinner parties.

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Pop sensations hit Worting Road for album signing



Pop sensations Union J in Worting Road's Morrisons

Basingstoke last week to sign personally." copies of their new album He added: "Thanks to Morri-

George Shelley, JJ Hamblett ment.

The group became famous in Basingstoke!" after featuring on the 2012 And one devoted fan, @dynalabel, Syco.

great to meet all of our fans in #UnionJAlbumSigning." amazing turnout.

BOY band Union J came to supporting us and thank them

for hundreds of star-struck sons for having us and helping ans. the signing run so well."

The former X Factor contest- Fans and shocked residents

ants, made up of Josh Cuthbert, took to social media in excite-

and Jaymi Hensley, were at Morrisons in Worting Road to sign copes of 'You Got It All'.

Twitter user, @EllenPercy1. said: "Dad just rung me to tell me he met Union J in Morrisons

series of X Factor and are now icshelley, known as Sarah, signed to Simon Cowell's record tweeted: "On our two hour abel, Syco. journey to get to Basingstoke Band member JJ said: "It was so see you boys, can't wait!!

Basingstoke - there was an Their album was released on December 8 and the title track "It's so nice to be able to come debuted at number two on the and see our fans who have been UK Singles Chart.



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Fight to stop privatisation of Basingstoke Live flops

A BID to halt plans to priva-tise Basingstoke's free annual music festival failed after councillors approved the plans last

Members of Basingstoke and December 10 despite warnings outside London Road. ket testing." would be interviewed on a one to Cllr Izett said: "I have to say Private companies are likely to During the meeting council About 33,000 people attended one basis to see what they can my view remains that cabinet introduce ticket fees.

am totally disappointed that they becomes paid-for. didn't listen to the community It meant they had to be looked and organisations.

"It shows how utterly out of net," but cabinet members touch and arrogant they are. passed the motion at Wednes-They didn't give a hint that they day night's meeting. have listened to anything people had said.

"The arrogance with which they dismissed voluntary groups, organisations and the commu-nity that have made Basingstoke Live the success it is was absolutely awful. They had made up their mind before they walked into the room."

He added: "All those young people who would not be able to attend a festival would get cut out of it because they are obsessed with making a profit."

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net passed the plans to hand over 26 by a vote of seven councillors morally bankrupt. council-run Basingstoke Live on to six while residents protested

events manager, Andrew Grove, this year's event across five deliver and recommend. Councillor Paul Harvey, who said crowds at Basingstoke Live stages in War Memorial Park cabinet member Nigel Pierce sound and it provides certainty sposed the proposal, said: "I could drop by 60 per cent if it in July." opposed the proposal, said: "I could drop by 60 per cent if it in July.

at again by the council's cabi-

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Schools praised

HAMPSHIRE: Ofsted has praised Hampshire County Council in a report on December 10.

It states leadership in children's services is "outstanding" and primary schools' performance in the top five counties in the southeast.

cabinet member, Clive Sanders, ing it to a private company could "It was clear on the night that said: "At a time when we have save 60 per cent of the budget for many of the arts and culture enormous financial pressure the festival. on our budgets, to suggest we The companies could then was effective. Clearly lessons are to be learnt." Deane Borough Council's cabi-full council meeting on November possibilities is financially and A soft market testing approach The plans were originally put

Basingstoke council leader and It cost £129,000 – but outsourc- reconsider this decision.

norally bankrupt. means private companies would forward by cabinet member John "So I am in favour of soft-mar-not bid for Basingstoke Live but Izett on October 28.

groups did not feel the process

decision we made in October was

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Council meets

WHITCHURCH: The next meeting of Whitchurch Town Council is set for tonight.

The leisure and environment committee is due to meet at Whitchurch Town Hall in Newbury Street at 7.30pm.

114 homes plan

SHERFIELD-ON-LODDON: Plans for up to 114 homes in Goddards Farm have been unveiled.

A request for a screening opinion was sent to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council on December 10.

It asks for council advice on whether the plans are likely to need an Environmentál Impact Assessment.

Controversial cash for footbridge put to one side



Bramley crossing (photo by Paul Moulton www.pdm.photos)

BASINGSTOKE council's ter spent elsewhere and that cabinet debated a decision Network Rail should fund the to use nearly half a million pounds for a new footbridge in Bramley at a meeting on December 10.

entire project.
Currently, they have stated they will contribute £550,000 while the borough council fronts

As previously reported by £450,000.
the Observer, the plan to ringfence money from the Local cash will still go ahead, despite
Infrastructure Fund (LIF) – the concerns from borough and government money used for parish councillors.
big projects – was called-in on The leader of the council, Clive

This was because residents and councillors said there was no mention if the footbridge. This was because residents and councillors said there was no mention if the footbridge at Bramley Station would cater to the people with disabilities or those with pushchairs.

At the meeting Councillor David Potter, of Popley East, said: "I believe this to be a flawed proposal and based on Deane Borough Council put

the LIF money would be bet- uting money."

flawed proposal and based on a flawed LIF application."

He added: "I don't want the council associated with a project like this that will provide limited access to limited number of people."

A report by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council put together for the cabinet meeting confirmed a feasibility study will be carried out to "ensure the appropriate equality and disability discrimination clauses are included in any contract where the authority is contributed. Other town leaders felt that where the authority is contrib-



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Clirs surgery

TADLEY: The next councillor surgery for Tadley will be held on Saturday, January 3 with parish councillors Warwick Lovegrove and John Moss.

Residents have the chance to go and talk to their councillors and raise any issues they may have.

The surgery will take place from 10am to midday in the entrance to Sainsbury's in Mulfords Hill.

Alton carols

ALTON: Alton Salvation Army Band will lead a Christmas carol service in the centre of Alton town centre on December 23.

The service, 'carols around the tree', will take place in Market Square at 7pm and will finish at 7.45pm.

Residents are invited to attend during the evening.

Free swimming

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: Free swimming lessons are being offered to over 55s who

live in the borough. A 10-week course will start on January 8 at the Basingstoke Sports Centre in Festival Place.

It is aimed at beginners and open to those wanting to learn new strokes or improve tech-

Those who complete the course will receive a 30-day pool pass and can then book on to the centre's regular les-

son programme. The course will take place on Thursdays at the centre from 2.45pm to 3.15pm.

For more information, call 01256 845752.

New council chief chosen

A NEW chief executive of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council was appointed last

Councillors chose Melbourne Barrett as the council's new chief tion process.

executive after a two-day selec- Curtis, who announced his lead a redevelopment of Oxford's retirement in July after seven Westgate shopping centre. years. In London he is responsi-

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and Fulham. Mr Barrett said: "I be replaced. place to live and work."

to ensure that the growth and moving forward here. that is in prospect is shaped "This is an exciting appoint-and delivered in ways that ment as Mel will bring the mix local communities."

During a council meeting on December 11, the council approved the decision for Mr Barrett to take over.

Mr Barrett previously worked Mr Barrett will replace Tony at Oxford City Council helping

He currently serves as execu- ble for a £1billion residential tive director of housing and property portfolio and recently regeneration at the London announced the £8bn redevelopborough of Hammersmith ment of Earls Court, in which 760 homes on council estates are to

believe Basingstoke and He is also a member of the Deane is an outstanding Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

He added: "I look for- Basingstoke council leader ward to working with Clive Sanders said: "Our bor-councillors, officers, ough is on the brink of great residents and partners things with so much happening

are inclusive and benefit of skills and experience we need to take forward our vision, which includes breathing new life into Basing View business district and planning for new communities at Manydown.

"Mel will be joining a great team that is focused on making a real difference to the lives of our residents, as shown by our high satisfaction levels.

"Î'm sure he will make a major contribution to an even brighter future for our borough."

Melbourne Barrett

Councillor's Corner

Cabinet member Cllr John Izett Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council



Future of funding the arts

IN addition to selecting a new chief executive, Basingstoke's councillors have been discussing future funding for our theatres, concert halls, and museums, as well as Basingstoke Live.

It's important not only because of the brilliant arts and culture scene we enjoy, but also because of the sizeable ratepayers' money that is invested each year - over £2.3m.

It is essential that public money is well spent.

That's why the administra-tion decided that the old ways of allocating grants were not up to standard.

A more open and structured system was needed, one that sought the ideas of the experts in the arts and culture community before making any grant decisions.

That has happened through a series of workshops during 2014 and I can say that it has been productive, generating many ideas about how better to develop these services for residents.

Ideas flowed, such as seeing if Basingstoke Live might be better delivered by others instead of the council while preserving its core values, including showcasing local talent.

In the meantime, funding is confirmed for 'Live 2015.

Change can cause concerns, particularly for organisations for whom council funding is crucial.

The arts community recognises it must play its part in making scarce resources work harder when other key services such as those for young people, housing to prevent homelessness and support for the elderly are under pressure because of government spending reductions.

A central thrust of our proposals is to seek savings from the arts community in return for providing more certainty

over long term funding. To their credit, Anvil Arts and Proteus have come forward with proposals for annual reductions.

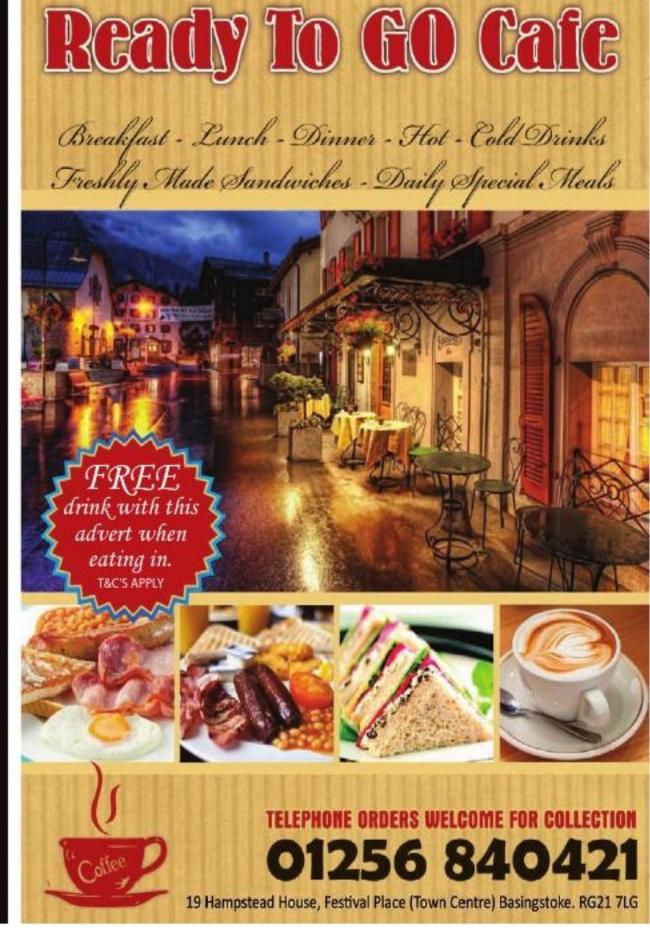
Disappointingly certain councillors, notably Labour and Independent, have voted at scrutiny committee to stop our plans to put the arts on a firmer footing while generating savings.

Instead they propose "unless an issue is identified by a partner" - (whatever that means)the 2014/15 funding arrangements are in effect carried forward for 2015/16 to maintain the "as is" position.

This would only serve to cost time and money in doing the process again, cause fund-ing uncertainty for the arts, halt extra funding proposed to Proteus for example, and deprive the council of significant financial savings.

Where's the sense in that?





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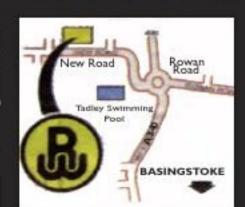
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Closing date:

Wednesday, December 31st, 2014

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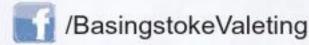
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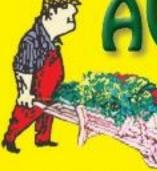
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- 9 Turned down (8)
- 10 Annulments (13)
- 13 Unemployed (4) 14 Vehicles (4)
- 17 Festivals that end Christmas
- periods (7,6) 19 Accumulated wealth (8)

Scribble space

- 12 / Your Huistock
- 20 Region (4) 21 Breathes deeply (5)
- 22 Maintains (7)

Quick Clues Down

- 2 Branching out (6)
- 3 Perforated (7)
- 4 List of members (9)
- 5 Peak (5)
- 6 Writers (7)
- 7 Unassuming manner (7)
- 11 Those who rise (9)
- 12 Moves round axis (7)
- 13 Mass of ice in sea (7)
- 15 Reclassify (7)
- 16 Road (6)
- 18 Clenched hands (5)

Cryptic Clues Across

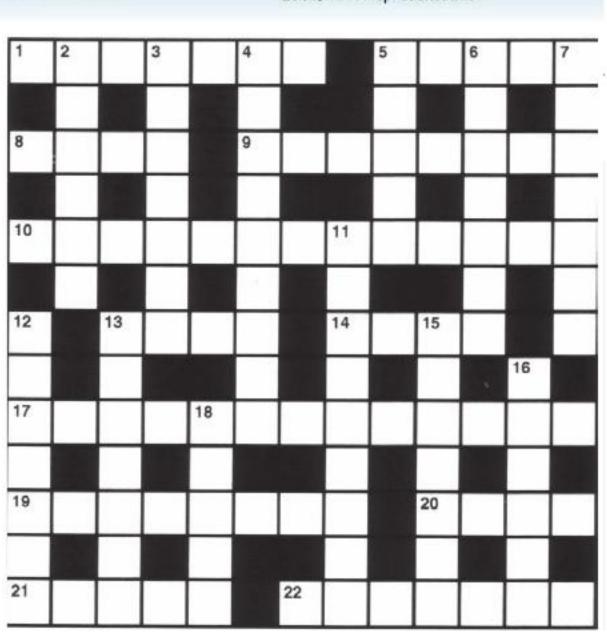
- I When no longer admired, fashion can be a scandal (7)
- 5 Writers on horseback? (5)
- Hot air without a cheek (4)
 A division about
- a unifying agent can cause debate (8)
- 10 Tie her apparel in a different way for an artistic result (13)
- 13 There's endless danger for a fairy (4)
- 14 A trick for us excluding one part (4)
- 17 Restrictive practices that unknown about fifty has (13)
- 19 In it I dined as a newcomer (8)
- 20 Maintain the stronghold (4)

21 Supported at length (5)

22 Sets back round Rhodesia's manifesto and considers (7)

Cryptic Clues Down

- 2 Holds forth, but with hesitation after a better man (6)
- 3 Feeling of repentance about having upset the old customs?
- 4 Fighting with iron it could capture a ship (9)
- 5 Give shelter to a family (5)
- 6 Undershirt for the scientist who exchanges the beginning of taste for its end (7)
- 7 Can't they stand up to being portrayed? (7)
- II Mere rearrangement in factor could produce harmony (9)
- 12 Could I be last to act like an animal? (7)
- 13 Leaving some of the upset gin behind (7)
- 15 Aghast that it's nearly all in pawn (7)
- 16 Stick to the fact that the present day has arrived? (6)
- 18 I am in an inquisitive state and causing an uproar (5)

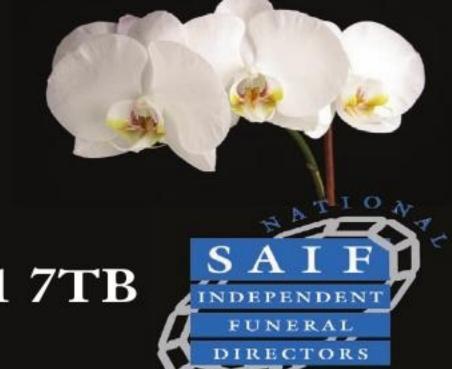


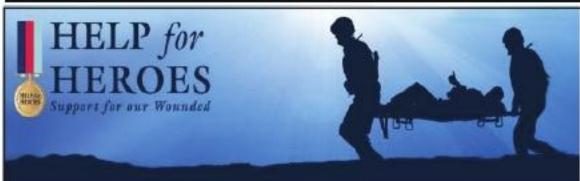
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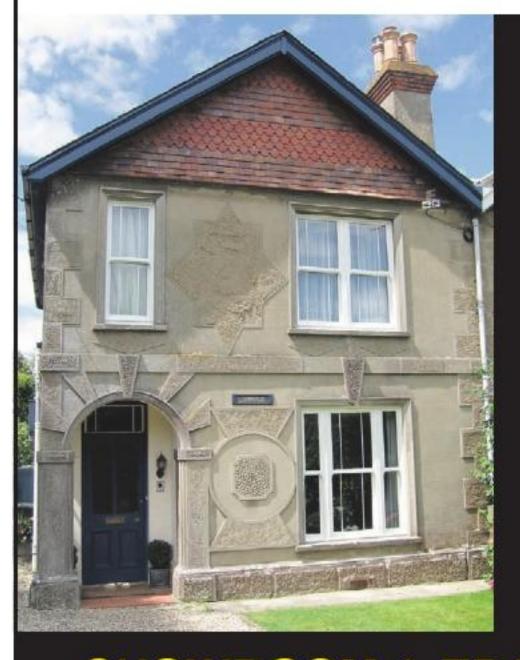
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Across: 1 Outrage 5 Hacks 8 Stem 9 Argument 10 Preraphaelite 13 Peri 14 Ruse 17 Strangleholds 19 Initiate 20 Keep 21 Leggy 22 Studies

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Trapped Claim 8 Edge 9 Rejected 10 Cancellations 13 Idle 14 Cars 17 Twelfth nights 19 Treasure 20 Area 21 Sighs 22 Asserts Down; 2 Radial 3 Pierced 4 Enrolment 5 Crest 6 Authors 7 Modesty 11 Ascenders 12 Rotates 13 Iceberg 15 Regrade 16 Street 18 Fists

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7.00 The One Show Topical stories from around the UK. (T) EastEnders Kat and Alfie are forced to make a life-changing decision; (T) BBC News; Regional News (T)

8.00 DIY SOS: The Blg Bulld Nick

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Knowles and the team are joined

10.00 BBC News (T) 10.25 BBC Regional News and Weather (T) 10.35 The Apprentice: Why I Fired

world. (T)

Them Alan Sugar reviews each of the tasks from the series. (T)

components that go into

products by Apple, one of the

most valuable companies in the

11.35 This Week The past seven days in politics. (T)

AFTER 12.20 Skiling Weatherview (T) 12.25 BBC News (T)

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6.00 This is BBC Two (T) 6.05 Homes Under the Hammer (T)(R) 7.05 Saints and Scroungers (T)(R) 7.35 Oxford Street Revealed (T)(R) 8.20 Sign Zone 10.35 HARDtalk (T) 11.00 BBC News (T) 11.30 BBC World News (T) 12.00 Daily Politics (T) 1.00 Coast (T)(R) 1.25 Ready Steady Cook Xmas (T)(R) 2.10 The Great British Bake Off (T)(R) 3.10 A Place to Call Home (T) 3.55 The World's Most Photographed (T) (R) 4.25 Andrew Marr's History of Modern Britain (T)(R) 5.25 Vintage Antiques Roadshow (T)(R) 6.00 Eggheads (T)(R) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing - It Takes Two (T)

7.00 Nigellissima - An Italian Inspired Christmas Nigella Lawson prepares dishes for a Christmas party with an Italian twist, including Parmesan shortbreads. (T)(R)

8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals The four finalists are reduced to three, who then head to Errenteria in northern Spain to work under chef Andoni Luis Aduriz at the world-renowned Mugaritz restaurant. (T)

9.00 The Fall Gibson's investigation leads her to the killer's lair, but there is no sign of Rose Stagg, while Spector makes a final play to remain in control. Last in the series. (T)

10.30 Newsnight; (T) Weather (T)

11.20 Posh People: Inside Tatler Behind the scenes at the Moscow offices of Tatler Russia, with the magazine recommending the best UK boarding schools. (T)(R)

12.20 Sign Zone: The Innocent Serial Killer? - Panorama (T)(R) 12.50 World's Greatest Food Markets (T)(R) 1.50 This Is BBC Two (T) 4.00 BBC Learning Zone (T)(R)



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8.00 Emmerdale Ross returns home to find Lawrence throwing his belongings into a fire. (T) A Night of Heroes - The

Military Awards Phillip Schofield and Amanda Holden host the annual star-studded ceremony from London's National Maritime Museum, honouring the achievements of Britain's armed forces. (T)

10.00 ITV News and Weather (T) 10.30 ITV Regional News; Weather (T) 10.40 A Night in with Olly Murs A musical extravaganza with the pop star, featuring guest

11.40 River Monsters A quest to track down the Nile perch in Africa's Rift Valley. (T)(R)

Nicole Scherzinger. (T)(R)

appearances by John Bishop and

12.10 Jackpot247 3.00 Losing Your Local?: Tonight (R) 3.25 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (T)(R)

Channel 4



6.20 The King of Queens (T)(R) 7.10 3rd Rock from the Sun (T)(R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond (T)(R) 9.30 Frasier (T)(R) 11.00 Jamle's Christmas with Bells On (T)(R) 12.00 Channel 4 News (T) 12.05 A SuperScrimpers' Merry Christmas (T)(R) 1.05 Celebrity Come Dine with Me: Christmas Special (T)(R) 2.10 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away Searching for properties in south-west France and Pembrokeshire. (T) 3.10 Countdown (T) 4.00 Deal or No Deal (T) 5.00 Come Dine with Me (T) 5.30 Coach Trlp (T) 6.00 The Simpsons (T)(R) 6.30 Hollyoaks (T)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T)

8.00 George Clarke's Amazing Christmas Spaces The architect attends a carol service in a 130-year-old flat-pack tin church and helps an ice carver create a winter wonderland-themed bar in Liverpool. Last in the series. (T)

9.00 24 Hours In A&E A retired builder is treated after falling from his daughter's roof, a musician has a dangerously high heart rate and doctors fear a man has a serious infection. Last in the series. (T)

10.00 Babylon When Banjo's bin footage goes viral, Sharon's response sparks unofficial industrial action, and civil unrest erupts on London's barely policed streets. Last in the series. (T)

11.05 Skint More stories of people living in poverty in Grimsby, from fishermen out of work after a lifetime at sea, to those doing whatever they can to make ends meet. (T)(R)

12.05 America's Fugitive Family (T)(R) 1.00 Embarrassing Bodies: Back to the Clinic (T)(R) 1.55 One Born Every Minute (T)(R) 2.50 Dogs: Their Secret Lives (T)(R) 3.45 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away (T) (R) 4.40 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent (T)(R)

Channel 5

Britain's **Bloodiest** Dynasty, 9pm

6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff Studio debate on the day's news. 11.40 Mr St Nick (2002) (U) Festive comedy, starring Kelsey Grammer. (T) 1.25 5 News Lunchtime (T) 1.30 Home and Away (T) 2.00 Mrs Miracle 2: Miracle in Manhattan (2010) (PG) Family drama sequel, starring Doris Roberts. (T)
3.45 WIII You Merry Me? (2008) (PG) Comedy, starring Tommy Lioutas and Vikki Krinsky. (T) 5.30 5 News at 5 (T) 6.00 Home and Away Denny asks Ricky for surfing lessons as a tribute to Casey. (T)(R) 6.30 5 News Tonight (T)

7.00 The Gadget Show Jon Bentley tests the latest mobile tablet computers, Jason Bradbury tries out technology set to transform the world of fitness, and Amy Williams checks out underwater cameras; (T)(R) 5 News Update (T)

8.00 The Rallway: First Great Western A station manager braces himself for a hectic four days due to the Cheltenham Festival; (T) 5 News at 9 (T)

9.00 Britain's Bloodlest Dynasty Dan Jones examines the reign of Richard II, who ascended the throne at the age of 10 and grew up to become one of the most brutal tyrants in English history. Last in the series. (T)

10.00 Pothole Britain - Drivers Beware! Documentary examining why there is such a big problem with potholes in the nation's roads. (T)(R)

11.00 Big Foot: The Missing Evidence An investigation into the existence of the ape-like hominid said to live in the forests of North America. (T)(R)

12.00 SuperCasino 3.10 Ben Fogle: New Lives in the Wild (T)(R) 4.00 Nick's Quest (T)(R) 4.25 House Doctor (T)(R) 4.45 House Doctor (T)(R) 5.10 House Doctor (T)(R) 5.35 Wildlife SOS (T)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Life's Funniest Moments 6.25 You've Been Framed! 6.45 Emmerdale 7.15 Coronation Street 7.45 You've Been Framed! 8.15 The Cube 9.15 Royal Pains 10.15 The Chase 11.15 All Star Family Fortunes 12.15 Emmerdale 12.45 Coronation Street 1.15 You've Been Framed! 1.50 Royal Pains 2.45 The Jeremy Wyle Show 6.00 You've Been Framed! Top 100 Kids 7.00 You've Been Framed at Christmas! 7.45 Ant & Dec's Christmas Show 9.00 Release the Hounds: Jingle Hell 10.00 Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits 2014 11.05 FILM: American Pie Presents: The Naked Mile (2006) (15) 1.10 Two and a Half Men 2.00 Dads 2.20 Teleshopping 5.50 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

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6.00 Faith in the Future 6.25 Heartbeat 7.20 On the Buses 7.55 Rising Damp 8.25 The Darling Buds of May 9.35 Judge Judy 10.55 The Return of Sherlock Holmes Special 1.05 Heartbeat 2.10 Agatha Christie's Marple 4.10 Faith in the Future 4.45 On the Buses 5.20 Rising Damp 5.50 Heartbeat 6.50 Wycliffe 7.55 Inspector Morse 10.00 The

Jury 11.00 The Vice 12.05 The Return of Sherlock Holmes Special 2.05 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 Teleshopping

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7 7.00 Don't Tell the Bride - Christmas on Ice 8.00 FILM: The Mistle-Tones (2012) (PG) 9.25 Pop's Greatest Dance Crazes 9.30 Bad Education 10.00 Him & Her. The Christmas Special 10.30 EastEnders 11.00 Family Guy 12.30 Sweat the Christmas Stuff 1.00 Some Girls 1.30 Russell Brand: End the Drugs War 2.30 Him & Her: The Christmas Special 3.00 Don't Tell the Bride - Christmas on Ice 4.00 Close BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 World News Today, Weather 7.30 Pillars of Creation -The Sky at Night 8.00 Orbit: Earth's Extraordinary Journey 9.00 Castles - Britain's Fortified History 10.00 Puppy Love 10.30 Bullseyes and Beer: When Darts Hit Britain: Timeshift 11.30 The Secrets of Quantum Physics 12.30 Cosmonauts: How Russia Won the Space Race 1.30 Sounds of the Eighties 2.00 Pillars of Creation - The Sky at Night 2.30 Puppy Love 3.00 Castles - Britain's Fortified History 4.00 Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Hollyoaks 6.30 Paternity Court 6.50 Happy Endings 7.15 One Tree Hill 8.00 Suburgatory 8.30 Happy Endings 9.00 Charmed 10.00 Rules of Engagement 11.00 How I Met Your Mother 12.00 Hollyoaks 12.30 Paternity Court 1.00 How I Met Your Mother 2.00 The Big Bang Theory 3.00 My Fair Wedding 4.00 Melissa & Joey 4.30 Suburgatory 5.00 How I Met Your Mother 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Hollvoaks 7.30 Rude(ish) Tube 8.00 FILM: Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (2009) (12) 11.00 The Big Bang Theory 12.00 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 1.00 Rude Tube 2.05 Bodyshockers: My Tattoo Hell - Part Two 3.00 2 Broke Girls 3.20 Almost Royal 4.10 One Tree Hill 4.50 Charmed MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Kirstie and Phil's Perfect Christmas 10.00 The World's Weirdest Weather 11.05 Hugh's 3 Good Things: Best Bites 11.25 FILM: Mysterious Island (1961) (PG) 1.25 Time Team 3.35 Come Dine with Me: Comedians Christmas Special 4.40 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away 5.45 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun 6.50 River Cottage Christmas 7.55 Grand

Designs 9.00 Father Ted Christmas Special 10.15 Big Fat Gypsy Christmas: Carols and Caravans 11.15 The Golden Rules of Porn 12.55 More Sex Please, We're British 2.00 Big Fat Gyosy Christmas: Carols and Caravans 3.05 Jamie's Family Christmas 3.35 Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Ride the High Country (1962) (PG) 12.50 Hombre (1967) (PG) 3.05 Shenandoah (1965) (PG) 5.15 A Challenge for Robin Hood (1967) (PG) 7.10 Addams Family Values (1993) (PG) 9.00 The Eagle (2011) (12) 11.15 Stop-Loss (2008) (15) 1.25 The Girl Who Played with Fire (2009) (15) 4.00 Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 American Pickers 8.00 Top Gear 10.00 Storage Hunters 11.00 American Pickers 12.00 Top Gear 2.00 Storage Hunters 3.00 American Pickers 4.00 Top Gear 6.00 Storage Hunters 7.00 American Pickers 8.00 Top Gear Botswana Special 9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats 10.00 Gavin & Stacey 10.40 Gavin & Stacey - Christmas Special 12.00 8 Out of 10 Cats 1.00 Mongrels 1.40 Gavin &

Stacey 2.10 Gavin & Stacey - Christmas Special 3.15 Suits 4.00 Close

SKY1 5KY: 106

6.00 The Real A&E 7.00 Sun, Sea and A&E 8.00 Futurama 9.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 11.00 Hawaii Five-0 1.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 3.00 Road Wars 4.00 Sun, Sea and A&E 5.00 The Simpsons 5.30 Road Wars 6.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Arrow 10.00 FILM: Alien Resurrection (1997) (18) 12.10 NCIS: Los Angeles 1.10 Hawaii Five-0 3.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 4.00

Airline USA 5.00 Stargate Atlantis

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108 6.00 Stargate Atlantis 7.00 Blue Bloods 8.00 Star Trek: Enterprise 9.00 Without a Trace 10.00 Blue Bloods 11.00 House 1.00 Stargate Atlantis 2.00 Without a Trace 3.00 Star Trek: Enterprise 4.00 House 6.00 Blue Bloods 7.00 Without a Trace 8.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets 9.00 The Knick 10.15 Olive Kitteridge 12.35 Game of Thrones 1.50 The Newsroom 3.00 The Sopranos 4.10 Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations 5.05 Star Trek: Enterprise

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Friday December 19th

BBC1

The Graham Norton Show, 10.35pm



6.00 Breakfast (T) 9.15 Operation Meet the Street (T) 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer (T)(R) 11.00 Saints and Scroungers (T) 11.30 Oxford Street Revealed (T) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (T)(R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather (T) 1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather (T) 1.45 Doctors (T) 2.15 The Doctor Blake Mysteries (T)(R) 3.10 Escape to the Country (T)(R) 3.40 Christmas Kitchen with James Martin (T) 4.30 Flog It! (T) 5.15 Pointless Ouiz show, hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (T)(R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather (T) 6.30 BBC Regional News Programmes; Weather (T)

7.00 The One Show Hosted by Chris Evans and Alex Jones. (T) The Two Ronnles Sketchbook The comedy duo's favourite moments from their TV shows. Last in the series; (T) BBC News; Regional News (T)

8.00 EastEnders More evidence

comes to light in the murder investigation. (T) 8.30 Citizen Khan Mr Khan is chosen to place the star on top of the Sparkhill Christmas tree. Last in the series. (T)

A compilation of highlights from this year's editions. Last in the series. (T) 9.30 Not Going Out Lee worries that the woman of his dreams is

drifting farther away. (T)

9.00 Have I Got 2014 News for You

10.00 BBC News (T) 10.25 BBC Regional News and Weather; (T) Lottery Update (T) 10.35 The Graham Norton Show With Ben Stiller, Ricky Gervais, Jamie

> and Usher. (T) 11.25 Cuckoo Ken is hopeful of a promotion at work. (T) 1.55 Tony Bennett & Lady Gaga: Cheek to Cheek Live! The duo take to the stage in New York.

Foxx, Cameron Diaz, Danny Dyer

AFTER 12.50 EastEnders (T)(R) 2.45 Weather for the Week Ahead (T) 2.50 BBC News BBC2



6.00 This is BBC Two (T) 6.05 Homes Under the Hammer (T)(R) 7.05 Saints and Scroungers (T)(R) 7.35 Oxford Street Revealed (T)(R) 8.20 Sign Zone (T)(R) 10.35 The Travel Show (T) 11.00 BBC News (T) 11.30 BBC World News (T) 12.00 Daily Politics (T) 1.00 Coast (T)(R) 1.25 Ready Steady Cook Xmas (T)(R) 2.10 The Great British Bake Off - The Final (T)(R) 3.10 A Place to Call Home (T) 3.55 Restoring England's Heritage (T) 4.25 Andrew Marr's History of Modern Britain (T)(R) 5.25 Vintage Antiques Roadshow (T)(R) 6.00 Eggheads (T)(R) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing - It Takes Two (T)

7.30 Tom Kerridge Cooks Christmas The chef puts his own spin on festive fare. (T)(R)

8.00 Mastermind Specialist subjects include West Bromwich Albion

and Empress Livia. (T) Mary Berry's Absolute Christmas Favourites Part two of two. Five recipes for a stressfree Christmas Day. (T)

9.00 Canterbury Cathedral The Rev Clare Edwards travels to York for the vote on women bishops and the cathedral marks the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War. Last in the series. (T)

10.00 QI With David Mitchell, Ronni Ancona and Jimmy Carr. (T) 10.30 Newsnight (T)

11.00 Weather (T) 11.05 Never Mind the Buzzcocks Rhod Gilbert hosts. (T)(R)

11.35 Boyz N the Hood (1991) (15) Drama, with Cuba Gooding Jr and Laurence Fishburne. (T)

1.20 Sign Zone: The Great War - An Elegy: A Culture Show Special (T)(R) 2.20 This Is BBC Two (T)



6.00 Good Morning Britain (T) 8.30 Lorraine (T) 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show (T) 10.30 This Morning (T) 12.30 Let's Do Christmas with Gino & Mel (T) 1.30 ITV News (T) 1.55 ITV Regional News; Weather (T) 2.00 Peter Andre's 60 Minute Makeover The home improvement challenge visits Essex in a Text Santa celebration. Last in the series. (T) 3.00 Secret Dealers (T) 3.59 ITV Regional Weather (T) 4.00 Tipping Point Quiz show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (T)(R) 5.00 The Chase Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh, (T) 6.00 ITV Regional News: Weather (T) 6.30 ITV News (T)

7.00 Emmerdale The Bartons struggle to repair the damage caused by Lawrence. (T) Coronation Street Tracy is on

edge as she waits for news of Rob's sentencing. (T)

8.00 Text Santa The festive fundraising extravaganza returns, with the evening's presenting duos - Ant and Dec, Phillip Schofield and Christine Bleakley, and Paddy McGuinness and Alesha Dixon - joined by a host of famous faces to raise money for six deserving causes. Highlights include George Clooney making a surprise visit to Downton Abbey, the residents of Coronation Street appearing in a comedy sketch with a Text Santa twist, and Ant and Dec hosting a Yule Tucker Trial for an unsuspecting celebrity while serenaded by a choir of former jungle contestants, and there are appearances by the casts of Mr Selfridge and Emmerdale, plus plenty of live music throughout the show. (T)

11.20 ITV News (T) 11.55 ITV Regional News; Weather (T)

12.05 Text Santa Highlights (T) 1.25 Jackpot247 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA (T)(R) 3.40 ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4



6.20 The King of Queens (T)(R) 7.10 3rd Rock from the Sun (T)(R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond (T)(R) 9.30 Frasier (T)(R) 11.00 jamle's Christmas with Bells On (T)(R) 12.00 Channel 4 News (T) 12.05 A Great British Christmas with Sarah Beeny (T)(R) 1.05 Celebrity Come Dine with Me: Soap Star Special (T)(R) 2.10 A Place In the Sun: Home or Away Searching for properties in Murcia, Spain and Exeter, Devon. (T) 3.10 Countdown (T) 4.00 Deal or No Deal (T) 5.00 Come Dine with Me (T) 5.30 Coach Trip (T) 6.00 The Simpsons (T)(R) 6.30 Hollyoaks (T)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T)

8.00 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD

The team discovers the ancient city before Hydra, but revealing its secrets may require one of Coulson's agents to make the ultimate sacrifice. May and Skye race to save Raina. (T)

9.00 Gogglebox Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. Narrated by Caroline Aherne. Last in the series. (T)

10.00 Alan Carr: Chatty Man Former Bond girl Gemma Arterton talks about her role in the Made in Dagenham musical, Mrs Brown's Boys star Brendan O'Carroll discusses his latest book and Tom Odell performs live. (T)

11.10 The British Comedy Awards 2014 Jonathan Ross hosts the annual ceremony in its 25th year, celebrating the best in British comedy. (T)(R)

1.00 Martha Marcy May Marlene (2011) (15) (T) 2.40 May Because | Sald So (2007) (12) (T) 4.20 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away (T) (R) 5.15 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent (T)

Channel 5



6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff Matthew Wright and the panel share their views on the day's issues. 11.25 Lucky Christmas (2011) (PG) Romantic drama, with Elizabeth Berkley and Jason Gray-Stanford. (T) 1.15 5 News Lunchtime (T) 1.20 Home and Away (T) 1.50 Dear Secret Santa (2013) (PG) Drama, starring Tatyana Ali. (T) 3.35 A Christmas Kiss (2011) (PG) Romantic drama, with Laura Breckenridge and Brendan Fehr. (T) 5.30 5 News at 5 (T) 6.00 Home and Away Phoebe tells Kyle she is moving back to Melbourne. (T)(R) 6.30 5 News Tonight (T)

7.00 The Gadget Show Amy Williams and Jason Bradbury rate movie-streaming services and Helen Flanagan looks at online services used to make personalised calendars. Last in the series; (T) 5 News Update (T)

8.00 Ice Road Truckers Alex and Darrell deliver a \$7million watertreatment unit to a dam project near Gillam, Manitoba, while Lisa is loaded with a school bus to take to a maintenance depot in Winnipeg; (T) 5 News at 9 (T)

9.00 Trespass (2011) (15) Premiere. A couple are held hostage in their own home by four criminals, which forces them to confront the secrets in their marriage. Thriller, with Nicolas Cage and Nicole Kidman. (T)

10.50 Shoot 'Em Up (2007) (18) A mysterious gun-toting stranger delivers a baby, which he then has to protect from a horde of assassins. Action adventure, starring Clive Owen and Paul Giamatti. (T)

12.30 SuperCasino 3.10 Big Foot: The Missing Evidence (T)(R) 4.00 Nick's Quest (T)(R) 4.25 House Doctor (T)(R) 4.45 House Doctor (T)(R) 5.10 House Doctor (T)(R) 5.35 Wildlife SOS (T)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Life's Funniest Moments 6.25 You've Been Framed! 6.45 Emmerdale 7.45 You've Been Framed! 8.15 The Cube 9.15 Royal Pains 10.15 The Chase 11.15 All Star Family Fortunes Christmas Special 12.15 Emmerdale 1.15 You've Been Framed at Christmas! 1.50 Royal Pains 2.45 The Jeremy Kyle Show 6.00 You've Been Framed! Harry's Favourites 7.00 You've Been Framed: Top 100 Animals 8.00 FILM: Pearl Harbor (2001) (12) 11.30 Two and a Half Men 1.20 Warren United 2.10 You've Been Framed at Christmas 2.30 Teleshopping

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10 6.00 Faith in the Future 6.25 Heartbeat 7.20 The Darling Buds of May 9.35 Judge Judy 10.55 Sherlock Holmes: The Master Blackmailer 1.05 Heartbeat 2.10 Pollyanna 4.15 On the Buses 5.20 Rising Damp 5.50 Heartbeat 6.50 Wycliffe 7.55 A Touch of Frost 10.00 The Jury 11.05 The Vice 12.15 FILM: The Count of Monte Cristo (2002) (PG) 2.35 Judge Judy 2.55 World Kitchen 3.20 ITV3 Nightscreen 3.40 Emmerdale

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7 7.00 Great Movie Mistakes III: Not in 3D 7.15 Atlantis 8.00 Don't Tell the Bride 9.00 Snow, Sex and Suspicious Parents 10.00 Bad Education: The Finale 10.30 EastEnders 11.00 Family Guy 12.30 Bad Education: The Finale 1.00 Sweat the Christmas Stuff 1.30 Some Girls 2.00 Siblings 3.30 Sweat the Christmas Stuff 4.00 Close

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 World News Today; Weather 7.30 Diamonds Are Forever: The Don Black Songbook 9.00 The Joy of the Bee Gees 10.00 Bee Gees at the BBC and Beyond 11.00 Queens of Disco 12.00 Disco at the BBC 1.00 The Joy of the Bee Gees 2.00 Bee Gees at the BBC and Beyond 3.00 The Joy of Disco 4.00 Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Hollyoaks 6.30 Paternity Court 6.50 Happy Endings 7.15 One Tree Hill 8.00 Suburgatory 8.30 Happy Endings 9.00 Charmed 10.00 Rules of Engagement 11.00 How I Met Your Mother 12.00 Hollyoaks 12.30

Paternity Court 1.00 How I Met Your Mother 2.00 The Big Bang Theory 3.00 Rules of Engagement 4.00 Rude(ish) Tube 4.30 Suburgatory 5.00 How I Met Your Mother 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Hollyoaks 7.30 Rude(ish) Tube 8.00 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 FILM: The Mechanic (2011) (15) 10.50 The Big Bang Theory 11.50 Bad Robots 12.20 Rude Tube: Christmas Cracker 2012 1.25 Virtually Famous 2.15 Almost Royal 3.05 Rude Tube: Christmas Cracker 2012 4.00 Paternity Court 4.20 One Tree Hill 5.00 Charmed

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Kirstie's Crafty Christmas 10.00 The World's Weirdest Weather 11.05 Kirstie's Handmade Treasures 11.25 FILM: Treasure Island (1972) (PG) 1.25 Time Team 3.35 Celebrity Come Dine with Me: Christmas Special 4.40 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away 5.45 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun 6.50 My Big Fat Gypsy Christmas 7.55 Grand Designs 9.00 FILM: The Tourist (2010) (12) 11.00 My Phone Sex Secrets 12.05 My Big Fat Gypsy Christmas 1.10 Celebrity Come Dine with Me: Christmas Special 2.15 My Phone Sex Secrets 3.20 Jamie's Family Christmas 3.55 Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Gambit (1966) (U) 1.15 They Who Dare (1954) (U) 3.30 Dragoon Wells Massacre (1957) (PG) 5.15 The Lavender Hill Mob (1951) (U) 6.50 Fred Claus (2007) (PG) 9.00 The Bay (2012) (15) 10.45 10 Years (2011) (12) 12.50 The Girl Who Kicked the Hornets' Nest (2010) (15) 3.45 Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 American Pickers 8.00 Top Gear 10.00 Traffic Cops 11.00 American Pickers 12.00 Top Gear 2.00 Traffic Cops 3.00 American Pickers 4.00 Top Gear 6.00 Traffic Cops 7.00 American Pickers 8.00 Top Gear 9.00 Storage Hunters 10.00 FILM: Sin City (2005) (18) 12.30 Russell Howard Live: Dingledodies 1.50 Russell Kane: Smokescreens & Castles 2.50 Storage Hunters 3.15 Suits 4.00 Close

SKY1 SKY: 106 6.00 The Real A&E 7.00 Sun, Sea and A&E 8.00 Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb Special 8.30 Exodus: Gods & Kings - Behind the Scenes 9.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 11.00 Hawaii Five-0 1.00 Middle Earth: There and Back Again 2.00 Futurama 3.00 The Simpsons 3.30 Road Wars 4.30 Sun, Sea and A&E 5.30 Road Wars 6.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Best Christmas Movies Ever 10.00 An Idiot Abroad 2 11.00 Britcam: Emergency on Our Streets 12.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 1.00 Hawaii Five-0 3.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 4.00 Airline USA 5.00 Stargate Atlantis

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Stargate Atlantis 7.00 Blue Bloods 8.00 Star Trek: Enterprise 9.00 Without a Trace 10.00 Blue Bloods 11.00 House 1.00 Stargate Atlantis 2.00 Without a Trace 3.00 Star Trek: Enterprise 4.00 House 6.00 Blue Bloods 7.00 Without a Trace 8.00 Making Attenborough's Galapagos 9.00 Blue Bloods 10.00 House of Lies 11.10 Olive Kitteridge 1.30 The Knick 2.50 The Sopranos 4.05 Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations 5.00 Star Trek: Enterprise

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Saturday December 20th

BBC1

Match of the Day, 10.20pm



6.00 Breakfast (T) 10.00 Saturday Kitchen (T) 11.30 Nigel Slater's Christmas Suppers (T)(R) 12.00 BBC News; Weather (T) 12.10 Football Focus (T) 12.50 Saturday Sportsday (T) 1.00 Bargain Hunt (T) 2.00 Escape to the Country (T) 3.00 [1] Kung Fu Panda (2008) (PG) (T) 4.25 Final Score (T) 5.20 BBC News; Regional News; Weather (T) 5.40 Pointless Celebrities: Christmas Special With Christopher Biggins, Lorraine Chase, oe Pasquale and Ann Widdecombe. (T) 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing Tess Daly and Claudia Winkleman host the live grand final. (T)

7.55 Atlantis Jason feels guilty about Ariadne and resolves to do all he can to save her, embarking on a dangerous quest that brings him face to face with Medea and Pasiphae once more. (T)

8.40 The National Lottery Live The results of the Lotto and Thunderball draws. (T) 8.50 Strictly Come Dancing: The Results Tess and Claudia announce the viewers' favourite, who will be following in the dance steps of last year's winner Abbey Clancy. Plus, a musical performance. Last in the series. (T)

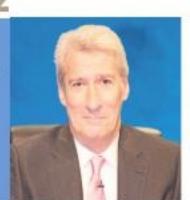
10.00 BBC News; Weather (T) 10.20 Match of the Day Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League clashes. including Manchester City v Crystal Palace; (T) National Lottery Update (T)

11.45 The Football League Show Manish Bhasin presents highlights and all the goals from the latest fixtures in the Championship, League One and League Two. (T)

AFTER 1.05 Weather for the Week Ahead (T) 1.10 BBC News (T)

BBC₂

Christmas University Challenge, 8.35pm



6.00 CBBC 11.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip (T)(R) 12.00 Christmas Kitchen with James Martin (T)(R) 12.50 The World's Fastest Indian (2005) (12) (T) 2.45 Flog It! From Todmorden, West Yorkshire. (T) 3.45 Secrets of the Castle with Ruth, Peter and Tom The team helps construct a limestone window for the chapel. Last in the series. (T)(R) 4.45 Nativity! (2009) (U) Comedy, starring Martin Freeman. (T) 6.30 The Good Life (T)(R) 6.55 John Le Mesurler: It's All Been Rather Lovely A portrait of the actor's life and career. (T)(R)

7.55 Dad's Army Captain Mainwaring's brother visits. (T)

8.35 Christmas University Challenge New series. Distinguished graduates of Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, and the University of Warwick compete. (T)

9.05 QI XL Festive edition from 2013, with Jo Brand, Phill Jupitus and Brendan O'Carroll. (T)

9.35 Blackadder II Edmund takes in a young lad as his manservant. (T)

10.05 Rik Mayall: Lord of Misrule Simon Callow narrates a celebration of the comedian and actor's life and work, with contributions by Michael Palin, Simon Pegg, Lenny Henry, Ben

11.05 The Young Ones The four students decide to throw a party.

Elton and Tim McInnerny. (T)

11.40 Youth In Revolt (2009) (15) Comedy, starring Michael Cera and Portia Doubleday. (T)

1.05 Sign Zone: Canterbury Cathedral (T)(R) 2.05 Wonders of the Monsoon (T)(R) 3.05 This Is BBC Two



6.00 CITV 9.25 Columbo: Etude In Black (1972) (PG) (T) 11.20 ITV News; Weather (T) 11.30 Surprise Surprise (T)(R) 12.30 Free Willy 2: The Adventure Home (1995) (U) (T) 2.25 The Nation's Favourite Christmas Song A countdown of the top 20 festive tunes. (T)(R) 3.50 Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium (2007) (U) Fantasy comedy, starring Dustin Hoffman and Natalie Portman. (T) 5.35 ITV Regional News; Weather (T) 5.45 ITV News (T) 6.00 Celebrity Squares Guests include Ashley Roberts, David Haye, Reece Shearsmith and Andi Peters. Last in the series. (T)

> Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (2009) (12) The young wizard is given the task of uncovering the secrets of Lord Voldemort's past as the evil sorcerer's henchmen cause havoc in both the magical and Muggle worlds. However, Voldemort's influence extends closer to home than expected, as Harry's rival Malfoy is chosen to carry out a sinister mission. Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Daniel Radcliffe, Michael Gambon, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint. (T)

10.00 The Jonathan Ross Show Christmas Special With BGT judge David Walliams, actress Barbara Windsor, F1 champion Lewis Hamilton, comedian Jimmy Carr, singer Ed Sheeran and Frozen star Idina Menzel. (T)

11.30 ITV News; Weather (T) 11.45 Bette Midler: One Night Only The multiple Grammy winner's first-ever UK TV special, featuring a selection of her greatest hits. (T)(R)

12.45 Jackpot247 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA (T)(R) 3.40 ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

Channel 4 Racing. .40pm



6.10 Trans World Sport (T) 7.05 The Grld (T) 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond (T)(R) 7.55 The Morning Line A preview of the day's main race meetings. (T) 9.00 Weekend Kitchen (T) 10.00 Frasier (T)(R) 10.55 The Big Bang Theory (T)(R) 11.50 The Simpsons (T)(R) 12.45 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD (T)(R) 1.40 Channel 4 Racing Live coverage from Ascot and Haydock Park. (T) 4.00 Channel 4 News (T) 4.30 The Simpsons (T)(R) 6.00 Mission: Impossible (1996) (PG) Action thriller, starring Tom Cruise and Jon Voight. (T) Edited for language and violence.

8.00 Rewind the Christmas Hits With new performances,

surprise reunions and candid interviews, this 90-minute special uncovers the stories behind the UK's favourite festive hits through the decades. (T)

9.30 FILM Four Christmases (2008) (12) A couple have always managed to avoid family festivities by travelling overseas. However, when their flight is cancelled, each of their divorced parents insists they spend yuletide with them - forcing the pair to get through a quartet of Christmas celebrations on the same day. Comedy, starring Vince Vaughn and Reese Witherspoon. (T)

11.15 Wanderlust (2012) (15) Premiere. A couple looking for a fresh start stumble on a commune of hippies. Comedy, starring Jennifer Aniston and Paul Rudd. (T)

1.10 Devil (2010) (15) Horror, starring Chris Messina. (T) 2.30 Hollyoaks (T)(R) 4.40 Secret Eaters (T) (R) 5.30 Small Animal Hospital (T)(R)

Channel 5

The Best of The Joan Rivers Position, 11.05pm



6.00 Milkshake! 9.45 The Gadget Show (T)(R) 11.45 World's Strongest Man 2014 New series. The opening round of the Giants Live qualifiers. (T) 12.45 Deck the Halls (2006) (PG) Christmas comedy, starring Danny DeVito and Matthew Broderick. (T) 2.35 Mr Miracle (2014) (12) Premiere. Fantasy comedy, starring Rob Morrow. (T) 4.25 Naughty or Nice (2012) (12) Premiere. Festive fantasy, starring Hilarie Burton. (T) 6.05 The Wish List (2010) (PG) Romantic comedy, with Jennifer Esposito and David Sutcliffe. (T)

7.50 5 News (T) 7.55 Scrooge (1970) (U) Hardhearted Victorian miser Ebenezer Scrooge refuses to join in with the spirit of the festive season - until a succession of spectral visitors turn up to teach him the error of his ways. Musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic A Christmas Carol, starring Albert Finney, Alec Guinness, Kenneth More, Edith Evans and Paddy Stone. (T)

10.10 Rob Brydon Live A stand-up show recorded at Norwich's Theatre Royal during the comedian and actor's first UK tour in 2009, featuring comic tales, impressions, songs and anecdotes. (T)(R)

11.05 The Best of The Joan Rivers Position Highlights from the American comedienne's show in which she acted as an agony aunt for celebrity guests. (T)

12.05 Jason Manford Live (T) 1.25 SuperCasino 3.10 Gotham (T)(R) 4.00 House Doctor (T)(R) 4.25 Make It Big (T)(R) 4.50 Make It Big (T)(R) 5.15 Angels of Jarm (T)(R) 5.40 Roary the Racing Car (T)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Nicole Scherzinger: The Hot Desk 6.10 Christmas Bonkers Guinness World Records 6.35 Emmerdale 9.20 Coronation Street 11.20 The Cube: Celebrity Special 12.20 I'm a Celeb: Stars of Oz 1.25 FILM: Secret Santa (2003) (PG) 3.15 FILM: Santa Baby (2006) (PG) 5.10 FILM: Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas (1993) (PG) 7.00 You've Been Framed at Christmas! 8.00 FILM: Tomorrow Never Dies (1997) (12) James Bond spy adventure, starring Pierce Brosnan. 10.25 Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits 2014 11.25 The Office Xmas Party 2.20 Two and a Half Men 3.00 Tricked 3.50 Life's Funniest Moments 4.40 Christmas Bonkers Guinness World Records 5.05 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records: Bonkingly Big Hits 5.55 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Judge Judy 6.20 Pollyanna 8.20 The Royal 9.20 Sherlock Holmes: The Eligible Bachelor 11.40 FILM: Columbo: Forgotten Lady (1975) (PG) 1.50 Agatha

Christie's Marple **5.45** FILM: Mamma Mia! (2008) (PG) Musical comedy, starring Meryl Streep. **8.00** Doc Martin 9.00 Foyle's War 11.00 A Touch of Frost 1.10 Bomb Girls 1.55 FILM: Up Pompeii (1971) (15) 3.30 The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes 4.25 On the Buses

5.15 Judge Judy BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7

7.00 Doctor Who 8.05 Top Gear Botswana Special 9.05 Sherlock 10.35 Live at the Apollo 11.05 Family Guy 12.35 American Dad! 1.00 Live at the Apollo 1.30 Some Girls 2.00 Siblings 3.30 Some Girls 4.00 Close BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Polar Bear: Spy on the Ice 8.00 Icebound: The Greatest Dog Story Ever Told 9.00 Inspector Montalbano 10.40 The Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold 12.10 Kings of Rock 'n' Roll 1.10 Rock 'n' Roll Britannia 2.15 The Fight for Saturday Night 3.45 Close E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 My Fair Wedding 6.50 Rules of Engagement 7.40 How I Met Your Mother 11.00 Olive, the Other Reindeer

12.00 Famous Fred 12.35 Rude(ish) Tube 1.00 Melissa & Joey 2.00 How I Met Your Mother 3.00 Made in Chelsea 4.00 Melissa & Joey 5.00 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 10.00 FILM: Kick-Ass (2010) (15) Action comedy, starring Aaron Taylor-Johnson. 12.20 Rude Tube 1.25 The Inbetweeners 2.30 The Inbetweeners Top 10 Moments 3.25 Rude Tube's Christmas Cracker 2013 4.15 The 100

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14 8.55 Hugh's 3 Good Things: Best Bites 9.20 Jamie's Family Christmas 10.20 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces at Christmas 11.25 Come Dine with Me 2.10 FILM: Casabianca (1942) (U) 4.15 FILM: It's a Wonderful Life (1946) (U) Fantasy drama, starring James Stewart. 6.50 Is Our Weather Getting Worse? 7.55 The Year Britain Froze 9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 11.05 Sex Toy Stories 12.10 More Sex Please, We're British 1.15 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 2.20 Jamie's Family Christmas 2.50 Homeland 4.00 Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Anastasia (1997) (U) 1.00 Honey, I Blew Up the Kid (1992) (U) 2.45 St Trinian's (2007) (12) 4.45 Carry On Abroad (1972) (PG) 6.35 Star Trek (2009) (12) Scifi adventure, starring Chris Pine and Zachary Quinto. 9.00 Iron Man (2008) (12) Superhero adventure, starring Robert Downey Jr. 11.25 Haywire (2011) (15) Action thriller, starring Gina Carano. 1.15 Naked (1993) (18) 4.00 Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 Rocket City Rednecks 8.00 Top Gear 10.00 Storage Hunters 11.00 American Pickers 12.00 Lizard Lick Towing 1.00 Man v Food 5.00 Storage Hunters 5.30 Stephen Fry's 100 Greatest Gadgets 8.00 QI XL 9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You 10.00 QI 12.00 Alan Davies: Life Is Pain 1.40 Mongrels 2.45 Man v Food 3.10 Frank Skinner's Opinionated 3.40 Lizard Lick Towing 4.00 Close

SKY1 SKY: 106 6.00 Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? 7.00 Glee

8.00 The Fantasy Football Club 9.00 Football's Funniest Moments 10.00 Soccer AM 12.00 WWE Superstars 1.00 Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb Special 1.30 Birdman Special 2.00 Last Man Standing 3.00 Harrow: A Very British School 5.00 Portrait Artist of the Year 2014 6.00 The Simpsons 7.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 8.00 Hawaii Five-0 9.00 A League of Their Own 10.00 FILM: Predator (1987) (18) Sci-fi thriller, starring Amold Schwarzenegger. 12.05 Dumb and Dumber To Special 12.35 Chickens 1.30 Hawaii Five-0 2.20 NCIS: Los Angeles 3.10 Night Cops 4.00 UK Border Force 5.00 Mission Implausible

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Cleverdicks 7.00 The Guest Wing 8.00 Seinfeld 9.00 Smash 11.00 The Mortified Sessions 12.00 Networks of Power with Sir Christopher Meyer 1.00 Urban Secrets 2.00 The British 3.00 Urban Secrets 4.00 Blue Bloods 7.00 Without a Trace 9.00 Game of Thrones 12.45 Olive Kitteridge 3.05 The Sopranos 4.05 The Devil's Dinner Party 5.00 Fish Town

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BBC1

Antiques Roadshow. 8pm



6.00 Breakfast (T) 7.30 Match of the Day (T)(R) 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show (T) 10.00 Fern Britton Meets the Rev Richard Coles (T) 11.00 Escape to the Continent (T) 11.30 Bargain Hunt (T) 12.30 MOTD2 Extra (T) 1.15 BBC News; Weather (T) 1.30 Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit (1993) (PG) (T) 3.15 [III] The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (2005) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Tilda Swinton. (T) 5.25 Songs of Praise (T) 6.05 BBC News; Regional News; Weather (T) 6.30 Celebrity Mastermind (T)

7.00 Countryfile Festive items including how to make Georgianstyle mince pies, the history of cards and crackers and finding out how snow is formed. Including Weather for the Week Ahead. (T) 8.00 Antiques Roadshow Fiona

Bruce presents highlights and updates on items that have appeared over the past few months, including a piece of Banksy art and a Status Quo tapestry. (T)

9.00 The Apprentice The two finalists launch their businesses in a task to determine the winner, after which Dara O Briain speaks to the main players in the You're Hired studio. Last in the series. (T)

11.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather (T) .25 Have I Got a Blt More 2014 News for You A compilation of highlights from this year's

AFTER 12.10 Weather for the Week Ahead (T) 12.15 BBC News (T)

BBC2



6.35 Natural World: Butterflies - A Very British Obsession (T)(R) 7.35 African Cats (2011) (U) (T) 9.05 The Football League Show (T)(R) 10.25 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites (T) 11.55 Mary Berry's Absolute Christmas Favourites (T)(R) 12.55 Christmas Kitchen with James Martin (T)(R) 1.45 Live Equestrian The Olympia International Horse Show. (T) 4.30 Some Mothers Do 'Ave 'Em Frank has flying lessons. (T)(R) 5.15 Flog It! From London Zoo. (T) 5.55 The Terminal (2004) (12) Comedy, starring Tom Hanks and Catherine Zeta-Jones. (T)

8.00 Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (2011) (12) Premiere. A British fisheries expert is hired to undertake an Arab sheik's plan to introduce salmon fishing to his country. Comedy drama, starring Ewan McGregor. (T)

9.40 QI XL Extended edition. With David Mitchell, Ronni Ancona and Jimmy Carr. (T)

10.25 Match of the Day 2 Mark Chapman reviews the latest Premier League action, featuring Newcastle United v Sunderland at St James' Park and Liverpool v Arsenal at Anfield. (T)

11.25 The Sarah Millican Slightly Longer Christmas Television Programme Extended edition. With Phillip Schofield, Judy Parfitt and Helen George. (T)(R)

12.05 Serendipity (2001) (PG) Romantic drama, starring Kate Beckinsale and John Cusack. (T) 1.30 Sign Zone: Countryfile (T)(R) 2.30 Holby City (T)(R) 3.30 This Is BBC Two



6.00 CITV 9.25 ITV News (T) 9.30 Storage Hoarders (T)(R) 10.30 ITV News; Weather (T) 10.35 FILM Death on the Nile (1978) (PG) Agatha Christie mystery, with Peter Ustinov. (T) 1.20 Columbo: A Stitch in Crime (1973) (PG) Detective drama, with Peter Falk and Leonard Nimoy. (T) 2.50 Tipping Point: Lucky Stars Carol Vorderman, Mark Charnock and Joe Swash take part. (T)(R) 3.50 The Chase Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (T) (R) 4.45 [] (Casper (1995) (PG) Supernatural family comedy, starring Christina Ricci. (T) 6.35 ITV Regional News; Weather (T) 6.45 ITV News (T)

7.00 You've Got to Love Christmas Jane Horrocks narrates a comic trawl through the TV archives, guiding viewers through the pitfalls and perils of the festive season, with contributions from famous faces. (T)

Surprise Surprise Christmas Special A charitable 10-year-old girl is whisked off to Canada to visit the set of Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb and interview the film's stars. Last in the series. (T)

9.00 Midsomer Murders It is a time of joy in Midsomer - Christmas is coming and Barnaby is soon to be a dad - but the festive mood changes when a man is murdered during a ghosthunting party. (T)(R)

11.00 ITV News; Weather (T) 11.15 Vicious Freddie and Stuart invite the gang over. (T)(R)

11.45 Premiership Rugby Union Highlights of the latest matches, including Wasps v London Irish. (T)

12.45 The Store 2.30 Motorsport UK (T) 3.20 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA (T) (R) 4.05 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (T)(R)

Channel 4



6.00 Kirstle's Vintage Gems (T)(R) 6.10 NFL: The American Football Show (T)(R) 7.10 How I Met Your Mother (T)(R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond (T)(R) 8.25 Frasler (T)(R) 8.55 Jamle's Comfort Food (T)(R) 9.30 Sunday Brunch (T) 12.30 The Blg Bang Theory (T)(R) 2.30 The Simpsons (T)(R) 4.00 Channel 4 News (T) 4.10 Bugsy Malone (1976) (U) Musical gangster comedy, starring Scott Baio. (T) 6.00 Jamle's Cracking Christmas Jamie Oliver whips up some of his favourite festive dishes, including beef Wellington and roast goose with all the trimmings. (T)(R)

7.00 Men in Black 3 (2012) (PG) Premiere. A secret agent goes back in time and teams up with a young version of his mentor to stop an alien changing history. Sci-fi comedy sequel, with Will Smith and Josh Brolin. Edited for language. (T)

9.00 Homeland In the penultimate episode of the US thriller, Carrie is forced to put her life on the line to get her team out of Pakistan. Starring Claire Danes.

10.00 Rewind the Christmas Hits With new performances, surprise reunions and candid interviews, this 90-minute special uncovers the stories behind the UK's favourite festive hits through the decades. (T)(R)

11.35 The IT Crowd: The Internet Is Coming Roy and Jen's reputations are put at risk in the final episode. (T)(R)

12.30 Peep Show (T)(R) 1.00 American Football Live. Arizona Cardinals v Seattle Seahawks (kick-off 1.30am). (T) 4.45 NFL: Rush Zone (T) 5.10 Small Animal Hospital (T)(R) 5.35 Countdown (T)(R)

Channel 5

Muppets and Lady Gaga at Christmas, 11.30am



6.00 Milkshake! 10.30 World's Strongest Man 2014 (T) 11.30 The Muppets and Lady Gaga at Christmas (T)(R) 12.40 ILM It's a Very Merry Muppet Christmas Movie (2002) (PG) Festive comedy, with Joan Cusack and Whoopi Goldberg. (T) 2.25 The Christmas Shepherd (2014) (12) Premiere. Drama, starring Teri Polo. (T) 4.10 FILM The Family Man (2000) (12) Drama, starring Nicolas Cage. (T) 6.30 5 News Weekend (T) 6.35 Space Cowboys (2000) (PG) Adventure, starring Clint Eastwood. Edited for language and flashing images.

Gran Torino (2008) (15) 9.00 Premiere. A misanthropic Korean War veteran is drawn into protecting a teenager and his family from a street gang. Drama, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. With Bee Vang. Part of Clint Eastwood Night. (T)

11.15 Unforgiven (1992) (15) Two gunslingers help a bounty hunter kill a pair of cowboys who attacked a prostitute. Western, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. (T)

1.45 SuperCasino 3.10 The Gadget Show (T)(R) 4.00 House Doctor (T)(R) 4.25 Make It Big (T)(R) 4.50 Make It Big (T)(R) 5.15 Angels of Jarm (T)(R) 5.40 Roary the Racing Car (T)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 McBusted: The Hot Desk 6.10 Emmerdale 8.50 Coronation Street 10.50 The X Factor: Your Top Ten 11.50 The X Factor Class of 2014 12.55 You've Been Framed at Christmas! 1.55 FILM: Beethoven's Christmas Adventure (2011) (U) 3.45 Ant & Dec's Christmas Show 5.00 FILM: The Polar Express (2004) (U) 7.00 The Xtra Factor Winner's Story 2014 8.00 You've Been Framed at Christmas! 9.00 FILM: The Holiday (2006) (12) Romantic comedy, starring Cameron Diaz and Kate Winslet. 11.45 Release the Hounds: Jingle Hell 12.50 Two and a Half Men 1.40 The Office Xmas Party 2.30 Tricked 4.10 Life's Funniest Moments 4.55 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 5.50 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Movies Now 6.10 Judge Judy 6.30 The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes 7.25 FILM: Carry On at Your Convenience (1971) (PG) 9.15 FILM: Carry On Loving (1970) (PG) 11.20 FILM: Up Pompeli (1971) (15) 1.00 FILM: The Great St Trinian's Train Robbery (1966) (PG) 2.55 A Touch of Frost 4.50 The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes 5.55 Lewis 8.00 The Best of the Royal Variety 9.00 Michael Bublé: At Home for Christmas 10.30 FILM: Ray (2004) (15) Biopic of Ray Charles, starring Jamie Foxx. 1.25 Cracker 2.30 Judge Judy 3.15 ITV3 Nightscreen 3.40 Emmerdale

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7

7.00 FILM: Cars (2006) (U) 8.50 Top Gear Bolivia Special 10.10 Bad Education 10.40 Family Guy 11.25 American Dad! 12.10 Bad Education 12.40 Cuckoo 3.30 Bad Education 4.00 Close

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 The Fir Tree 7.30 Tales of Winter: The Art of Snow and Ice 9.00 Sammy Davis Jr: The Kid in the Middle 10.00 An Evening with Sammy Davis Jr 11.00 Imagine Bette Midler: The Divine Miss M 12.15 Sammy Davis Jr. The Kid in the Middle 1.15 An Evening with Sammy Davis Jr 2.15 Imagine - Bette Midler: The Divine Miss M 3.30 The Fir Tree 4.00 Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Rules of Engagement 8.30 How I Met Your Mother 10.00 Hollyoaks 12.30 Made in Chelsea 1.30 How I Met Your Mother 2.30 FILM: The Spy Next Door (2010) (PG) 4.30 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 FILM: Edward Scissorhands (1990) (PG) 10.05 Rude Tube's Christmas Cracker 2013 11.05 The Inbetweeners 12.10 The Inbetweeners Top 10 Moments 1.20 Bad Robots 1.50 Rules of Engagement 2.40 How I Met Your Mother 3.25 Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 SuperScrimpers 9.35 Kirstie's Homemade Christmas 10.35 Gordon Ramsay's Festive Home Cooking 11.35 River Cottage Christmas Fayre 12.40 A Great British Christmas with Sarah Beeny 1.40 Food Unwrapped's Christmas Dinner 2.45 Four in a Bed 5.25 Celebrity Come Dine with Me: Christmas Special 8.00 Christmas at River Cottage 9.00 Father Ted Christmas Special 10.15 Ho Ho Ho Selecta! 10.50 Da Best of Ali G 11.55 Chopped Off: The Man Who Lost

His Penis 1.00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me: Christmas Special 2.05 Homeland 3.05 SuperScrimpers 3.40

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15 11.00 A Challenge for Robin Hood (1967) (PG) 1.00 Stormbreaker (2006) (PG) 2.50 A Monster in Paris (2011) (U) 4.35 Dear John (2010) (12) 6.45 Step Up (2006) (PG) 8.50 Foxcatcher Interview Special 9.00 Magic Mike (2012) (15) 11.15 Me, Myself and Irene

(2000) (15) 1.35 Hard Eight (1996) (18) 3.45 Close DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 Rocket City Rednecks 8.00 Top Gear 10.00 Man v Food Presents 10.30 American Pickers 11.30 Stephen Fry's 100 Greatest Gadgets 2.00 QI 6.00 I've Never Seen Star Wars 6.40 World's Most Dangerous Roads 8.00 QI XL 9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats 11.30 QI XL 12.30 8 Out of 10 Cats 2.45 The Rob Brydon Show 3.15 Mongrels 4.00 Close

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Hour of Power 7.00 Are You Smarter Than a 10

Year Old? 8.00 Glee 9.00 Futurama 9.30 Birdman Special 10.00 WWE Superstars 11.00 WWE: Experience 12.00 Nativity 3: Dude, Where's My Donkey?! Special 12.30 The Simpsons 1.30 The Bachelor King 3.00 Penguins of Madagascar Special 3.30 FILM: March of the Penguins (2005) (U) 5.00 We Love Penguins 6.00 The Simpsons 6.30 Futurama 7.00 The Flash 8.00 Modern Family 8.30 Trollied 9.00 Best Christmas Movies Ever 11.00 Karl Pilkington: The Moaning of Life 12.00 The Flash 1.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 2.00 Hawaii Five-0 3.00 Last Man Standing

4.00 Mission Implausible 5.00 UK Border Force SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Cleverdicks 7.00 Love/Lust and Lingerie 8.00 The Guest Wing 9.00 Seinfeld 10.00 Smash 12.00 Urban Secrets 1.00 Networks of Power with Sir Christopher Meyer 2.00 Friday Night Lights 3.00 Blue Bloods 5.00 Without a Trace 8.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets 9.00 Game of Thrones 12.25 Olive Kitteridge 2.45 The Sopranos 4.00 The Devil's Dinner Party 5.00 Fish Town

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What's on in HAMPSHIRE NEW

Christmas with Jarred

SANTA Claus will have to make way because Christmas is coming to Hampshire in person this year.

Kiwi comedian Jarred Christmas will be stopping off at The Phoenix Theatre & Arts Centre in Bordon tomorrow, December 18.

But you won't be bombarded with Christmas-themed jibes as the joker has promised to rein in the tempta- I have a respect for it, but I'm more

The funny man has travelled all over the UK as part of his 'Dogdish' tour, which will end at the Station Road venue this Friday.

"The audience can expect banter, anecdotes (don't worry, I've beefed them up with jokes), some dancing, my thoughts on monopoly, orange chocolate brownies and jokes," Jarred told his ironic surname. the Observer.

"The show is about the adventures of being a parent whilst travelling all over the place due to this comedy lark.

"And there will also be a lot of stories said. from my awkward teenage years."

Since making his stand-up debut in first time in Bordon. his native New Zealand 16 years ago, the 34-year-old is now a very familiar in Lord of the Rings." face in British television.

He has appeared on shows includ- don or the ring will be lost." ing Never Mind the Buzzcocks, Mock the Week and Russell Howard's Good at 8pm.

He was also a guest on BBC3's . Jarred Christmas

By James Richings

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'The 2010 World Cup's Most Shocking Moments' despite not having a massive interest in football.

"Most of my mates love football and of a rugby guy and recently I've been getting into the NFL," he said.

"I like winding certain mates up about football by calling a team's kit their uniform.

"It's hilarious how annoyed they

And despite the festive name, he revealed no jokes will be teased from

"No Christmas jokes will be based around my name ... but there is a story about dealing with my surname when I was at an all boys' high school," he

"I do also believe that this will be my

"Bordon actually sounds like a town

He joked: "I must meet Frodo in Bor-

Tickets cost £12 and the gig starts



Magic night CLOSE-UP magician George Kinder

will be at the Tonic Bar on Saturday, December 20.

The experienced magic man will combine expert slight of hand and modern magic techniques to leave you and your friends amazed at the London Street venue.

This is a free event with the doors opening at 7pm.

Mark Watson

COMEDIAN and actor Mark Watson will bring his brand new UK tour, 'Flaws' to The Haymarket on January 21.

The 34-year-old funnyman from Bristol is known for his appearances on shows such as Mock the Week, Never Mind the Buzzcocks and Have I Got News For You.

This show at the Wote Street theatre is suitable for anyone over the age of 14.

Ross Noble

COMEDIC genius Ross Noble is heading to The Anvil on Thursday, February 5.

The Northumberland-born comedian will bring his 'Tangentleman' tour to the Churchill Way venue.

Tickets cost £26 with the show suitable for anyone over the age of 15. There are limited tickets left.



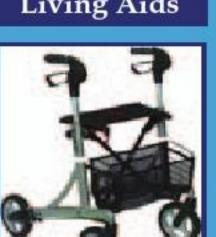
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What's on in HAMPSHIRE NEWS

Family disco

THIS Christmas Eve, Chineham Village Club will be hosting a family disco night.

People of all ages can enjoy a festive evening, with seasonal songs and food.

The event is for club members only and the disco starts at 7pm.

Call 01256 471982 for more information.

Carols, capers

LEGENDARY folk singer, Maddy Prior, will team up with The Carnival Band as Carols and Capers heads to The Haymarket on December 21.

The two will mix renaissance, modern and ethnic instruments with plenty of humour at the Wote Street venue.

Tickets cost £20.50.

Visit anvilarts.org.uk for more information.

Phoenix films

CHRISTMAS classic Miracle on 34th Street will be shown at The Phoenix Theatre & Arts Centre in Bordon on Friday, December 19.

When a nice old man who claims to be Santa is institutionalised as insane, a young lawyer decides to defend him by arguing in court that he is the real thing.

Tickets cost £3.50 to £5.

Comic duo's tuneful wit

COMEDY music duo Rory McGrath and Philip Pope bring an evening of entertaining songs to Basingstoke's Central Studio tomorrow, December 18.

Bridge Over Troubled Lager sees the pair performing songs about social media and the French at the Cliddesden Road venue.

Philip in particular has been writing and performing music for television shows throughout his career, including Spitting Image, Outnumbered and Jonathan Creek.

Speaking about Thursday's show, Philip said: "It's Rory and I singing comedy songs on all sorts of different subjects.

"It's not really anything to do with Simon and Garfunkel despite the silly title, but apart from that we look very similar to Simon and Garfunkel – Rory's got curly hair and I'm short!

"We've both got a history of doing music on television, so we thought we'd get out, do it ourselves and sing."

He added: "Even if I say it myself, we're not bad!"



Rory is well known for his TV work, having been a regular panellist on They Think It's All Over and one third of Three Men in a Boat alongside Dara O'Briain and Griff Rhys Jones.

Both he and Philip took the new show to the Edinburgh Festival over the summer, where it proved to be popular.

"It went very well, including surprisingly a song about Scottish independence, even though I was quite scared about doing that," said Rory.

"What I think is the strength of our show is that every song is different in terms of why it's funny – some are parodies, some are silly, some are satirical and some are rude.

"The underlying thing is that Phil's a very good musician and I'm not, so there's a lot of bickering about how things should be.

"Essentially it's a collection of songs co.uk or phone 01256 418318.



that we hope are funny and hope contrast in style, tone and comedy content."

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 Rory McGrath (left) and Philip Pope come to Basingstoke tomorrow, December 18, with their show Bridge Over Troubled Lager (picture by Steve Ullathorne)

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17 December 2014, 5:00 pm - 6:00

The Phoenix Theatre & Arts Centre THE CHRISTMASSY CHRIST-MAS SHOW OF CHRIST-MASSY CHRISTMASNESS

"Squashbox Theatre's new show is a celebration of everything Christmassy, from fir trees, fairy lights, sleigh bells and snowflakes to crackers, carols, presents and

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18 December 2014, 8:00 pm

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20 December 2014, 10:00 am -4:00 pm

Oakley Methodist Church STAR IN THE STABLE'

*On Saturday 20th December the churches in Oakley are, once again, holding a 'Star in the Stable' event at the Methodist chapel.

The idea is that families are invited to come and be part of the nativity scene. They can have their photo taken and emailed to them and there are activities for the family and refreshments." 01256 783111

21 December 2014, 7:30 pm The Haymarket CAROLS AND CAPERS

*Following the hugely popular 2012 Christmas tour, renowned folk singer Maddy Prior joins up once again with the Carnival Band during the Festive Season for their unique celebratory show Carols & Capers. Together they mix renaissance, modern and ethnic instruments with a refreshing cavalier attitude and plenty of humour putting their inimitable stamps on a range of familiar and not-so-familiar festive fare. This will guarantee to be a Christmas party to remember." 01256 844 244

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20 January 2014, 8:00 pm The Anvil

NILS LOFGREN "Songwriter, virtuoso guitarist and pianist Nils Lofgren returns to the UK

in January 2015 After touring with Bruce Springsteen as a long-time member of the E Street Band on both the 2012-13 Wrecking Ball tour and the 2014 High Hopes tour, Nils Lofgren is back to perform his own live show. Known for his world-class guitar playing, and his on-stage acrobatics, Nils Lofgren is a true rock legend and a superb front-man, both with Grin and under his own

Recently inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame as a member of the E Street Band, Nils released Face the Music, a 10 disc retrospective box set of his 45 years of recording, in August.

Nils will be joined for an acoustic set by multi-instrumentalist Greg Varlotta.

Expect Lofgren favourites like Shine Silently, I Came to Dance, Keith Don't Go and many others from his vast back

catalogue. £39.50, £29.50" 01256 844244

21 January 2015, 7:30 pm The Haymarket MARK WATSON

Winner of five major comedy awards, 24-hour-show luminary. Novelist. Watson (host of BBC's We Need Answers, Never Mind The Buzzcocks, Mock The Week regular and star of cult Radio 4 series Mark Watson Makes The World Substantially Better) returns to the road. http://www.anvilarts.org.uk/whats-on/ mark-watson

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The compact SUV market gets a new competitor with a fresh model next Spring

Popular Audi Q3 gets a facelift

FACTS at a glance

Audi Q3 2.0 TDi S line

Price OTR: £29,430

Engine: 1,968 cc, 4-cylinder,

diesel

Power: 150 PS

(Estimated)

Torque: 340 Nm at 1,750 -

2,800rpm

Transmission: Six speed manual, front wheel drive

0-62mph: 9.3 seconds

Top speed: 127mph

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SMALL SUVs are all the rage these days and competition amongst manufacturers to keep their models fresh and appealing is fierce.

Audi knows this and has duly revamped its popular Q3, first launched in 2011.

Prices for the facelifted Q3 now range from £25,340 OTR to £30,820 OTR - with first UK deliveries due next spring.

Revisions comprise exterior styling enhancements - including a new grille and revised xenon headlights and LED running lights, increased equipment levels and more efficient engines.

Tested here is the 150 PS 2.0 TDI expected to be the best seller. There's plenty of easily accessible performance on tap, refinement levels are good, combined with a tax friendly CO2 output of 119g/km and a combined 61.4mpg (two wheel drive models).

The 340 Nm of torque, available from 1,750 and 2,800rpm also ensures the Q3 pulls well from low speeds and is always tractable and smooth.

Handling is capable, composed and safe - the Audi feels assured and unrufREVIEW: Audi Q3 2.0 TDi S line

By Philip Shoulder

fled even when driven aggressively.

The Audi drive select adaptive dynamics system which was previously offered at extra cost is now fitted as standard, and enables the driver to adjust throttle response and steering weight, in addition to the firmness of the optional damper control system.

Features common to all versions include dual-zone climate control, a Concert audio system with 6.5-inch manually retractable colour display screen, Bluetooth interface, Audi Music Interface iPod connection and light and rain sensors.

In the cabin there isn't a huge difference from its predecessor. The Interior of this S Line trim car is a very nice place to be, with Alcantara and Leather upholstery.

True to Audi form, quality of all cabin materials is very high and the layout is a mastery of clean design and ergo-

The Q3's driving position is basically • Audi Q3 2.0 TDi S line

good, although it would be better if the steering column angle could go lower. Thankfully seats are comfortable and supportive, with plenty of adjustment, including height adjustment on the passenger side.

Space is good, with sufficient leg and headroom in both the front and rear to comfortably fit taller occupants over

six-foot. There's plenty of storage room, too, with generously sized cubbies dotted around the cabin and a sizeable 420 litre boot, extending to 1,325 litres with seats lowered.

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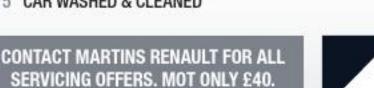
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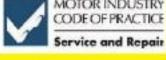
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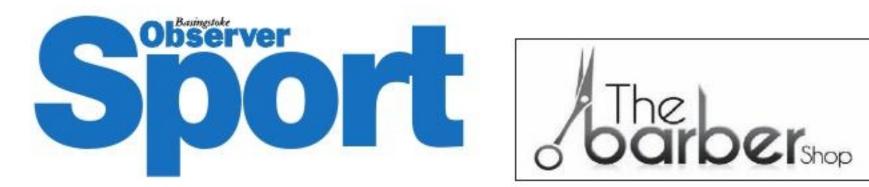
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Late goals cost Bison dear in double defeat

IT was a miserable weekend for Basingstoke Bison as they lost both of their matches against Milton Keynes Lightning and Sheffield Steeldogs.

Saturday saw Lightning beat the deficit in the second period, the Herd 2-1, while the Steeldogs but Ben Morgan re-established took a 7-4 victory on home turf. Sheffield's three goal advantage

tively quiet affair, with neither Bison staged a mini fightback

The visitors took the lead after remaining. 27 minutes through Tomas Karpov - the Czech player scoring plete his hat-trick and Janis Ozoon the powerplay.

Bison held onto their advantage match beyond reach for Bison. for the rest of the second period and the majority of the third, a consolation goal in the dying before Milan Kostourek was moments of the match, but the able to level proceedings with Herd ultimately lost 7-4. six minutes left on the clock.

Lightning the lead two minutes later, and despite bringing netminder Dean Skinns up front in the final minute Bison were They will be hoping for a return unable to force overtime, and to form in their next games were left with a 2-1 defeat.

worse for Bison, with the Steel- Flames on Sunday. dogs opening up a 3-0 lead in After Christmas, Wightlink the first period courtesy of Jeff Raiders host Bison in the cup Legue, Craig Elliott and Lloyd on December 27, before Swindon

Ciaran Long was able to reduce ingstoke the following day.

By Adam Flinn

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Bison's first match was a rela- going into the final 20 minutes.

side managing to make a break-through during the opening both scored to make the score period in Milton Keynes.

4-3 with just over 15 minutes

But Legue netted twice to comlins adding another to put the

Joe Greener was able to nick

It means Bison have slipped to And Kostourek then gave fifth in the English Ice Hockey

away to Bracknell Bees on Sat-Sunday's fixture was even urday before hosting Guildford

Wildcats make the trip to Bas-



Sport Bites

Collard concern

MOTORSPORT: Rob Collard's future with British Touring Car Championship squad West Surrey Racing (WSR) could be under threat as he attempts to raise the necessary sponsorship funds.

The Hook-based driver (below) wrote on Twitter: "I'm trying my best to stay with WSR, still trying to raise sponsorship."

The news comes after the team announced Sam Tordoff as a driver for next season.

It means that at least one of Collard, Odiham's Nick Foster or series champion Colin Turkington will be leaving the team ahead of the 2015 season to make room for their new appointment.



Jam Boys pick up a point in strong run

The point earned keeps the tively. Town last night Jam Boys third in the Wessex They will play Alresford Town went to press. Premier standings.

They now have a total of 44 match on Saturday.

ing December as they drew urch had won their previous a game on Saturday. 0-0 away to Folland Sports on two games against Fleet Town Although Calleva were in Calleva were fourth in the Badshot Lea.

WHITCHURCH United conpoints from 22 games. Elsewhere, neither Hartley with 30 points from 20 games, urday afternoon. Wintney nor Tadley Calleva had and next play Chertsey Town Wintney are back in action on Saturday.

and Fawley 4-1 and 5-2 respectaction at home to Amesbury Wessex Division One table And Calleva travel to Fleet tively.

Town last night as the Observer after Saturday's matches with Spurs on December 27, while

after Christmas as they host

They will play Alresford Town at home in their next league match on Saturday.

went to press.

25 points from 11 games.

Whitchurch have to wait until

They are due to play host to January 3 for their next game

East Cowes Victoria this Satathome to Verwood Town.

Ladies return

ICE HOCKEY: Basingstoke Bison Ladies return to action on Saturday as they face off against Oxford City Midnight

It has been a tough start to the Women's National South Division 1 season for Bison.

They are second bottom with two points from their opening three games.

Stars meanwhile are in third place, although they have played twice as many games as Bison.

Basingstoke RFC come agonisingly Do you have close to upsetting league leaders a story to share with

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'Stoke got off to a fast pace the gap to four points.

as they opened up a 10-0 lead, which started when Dave Byett kicked a penalty at the 11 minute ond try of the match.

Kicked two penalties to reduce the side's till try to linke the visitors.

Score 20-13.

It left 'Stoke second bottom in the London 1 South table with level as Morgan scored again, with Hallet again making the They are back in action this

BASINGSTOKE RFC almost over for a try, with Byett add-caused an upset on Saturday ing the conversion to add to the The visitors then hit back as bledon took the lead as Hallett

But this time Byett couldn't add conversion.

as they were narrowly beaten home side's advantage.

23-20 by London 1 South leaders Wimbledon at home on Saturday.

Stoke got off to a fast pace in the data as Hanett as Han

Freddie Gleadowe then went the extras as his effort bounced And with less than a quarter of to Guildford.

Saturday when they play host

Narrow loss

HOCKEY: Basingstoke Hockey Club lost their first match since the end of October on Saturday, losing 1-0 at home to Epsom.

James Harris scored the only goal of the game for the visitors.

It means Epsom are now tied on 20 points with Basing-stoke in the Hampshire/Surrey Regional 1 standings.

Basingstoke are now fin-ished for the year, and don't return to action until January 17 with a home fixture against Winchester.

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TOWN FORCED TO TIE IN FATROPHY

BASINGSTOKE Town had to settle for an FA Trophy first round replay last Saturday after they lost the lead twice

against Gosport Borough.

For the second time in as were all level on 24 minutes. many weeks, the Dragons were Rory Williams played a long pegged back twice after taking ball into the area and Paterson many weeks, the Dragons were the lead.

nett scored from the spot after After the break, Flood was Nathan Smart fouled Matt Pater-denied by Ashmore, while Moore

ing the ball over the line on 78 lead again. minutes.

again as he headed home Adam hand to force the ball over the Wilde's freekick with eight min- line. utes remaining.

the two sides with Steve Ramsey Wilde's freekick was headed past

and Tom Dunford going close Moore by Bennett.

early on. Town keeper Moore was called And Basingstoke's opener into action once more as the tie came against the run of play as came to an end as he denied good work from Manny Williams Dunford from 20 yards. latter.

a much-needed lift but the sides south-coast to play Gosport.

By Jack Johnson

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was brought down by Smart for a

The first round replay was being contested as the Basingstoke Observer went to print last night.

Louie Soares put Town ahead on 14 minutes but Gosport were soon level as Justin Bennett and Chris Flood going was brought down by Smart for a penalty, which was comfortably converted by Bennett.

Both goalkeepers were then called into action before the break with Stuart Moore denying Bennett and Chris Flood going close for Town.

was also on hand to deny Brett Substitute Lloyd Macklin Poate and with 12 minutes restored Town's lead by forc-remaining the Dragons took the

Williams tricked his way into But Bennett was on hand once the area and Macklin was on

However, 'Stoke's lead did not Gosport started the better of last for long as four minutes later

and Soares saw Town break into Basingstoke refurn to Vanarthe area and the former's low ama Conference South action centre was turned home by the on Saturday but will need no introduction to their opponents



The goal seemed to give Town as they face another trip to the . Manny Williams (11) celebrates with Louie Soares and Chris Flood after the former put Basingstoke Town ahead but they were to be held to a 2-2 draw by Gosport Borough (picture by Les Chase)

